

THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 8, 1909.

THE question of the legal status of men deserting their families is now being discussed by some of the state newspapers. Virginia has a statute making desertion and non-support a misdemeanor and under which a recreant husband may be arrested and required to give bond that he will divide his wages or salary with the wife or go to jail as an alternative. A jurist in one of the cities of the state has held that a man who has once been arrested and has been re-I ased on bond cannot be punished if he again deserts. Such a construction renders the law useless as a deterrent upon non-support. The Salem Times-Register suggests a statute making desertion of a wife or dependent children by the husband or of a husband or dependent children by the wife a felony, and says, a man who deserts his horse or his cow and leaves the animal to suffer the pangs of hunger or thirst may be punished by law for such cruelty, but a man may walk off and leave a wife and dependent children without subjecting himself to punishment of any kind. Continuing the Times-Register says :

Would it not be wise for our legislators to make the act of desertion a criminal offense. The marriage cannot be solemnized except in pursuance of law. Would it not be wise that a separation could not take place except in pursuance of law. If a couple are unhappily mar ried and desire separation, make a law so that the separation can be had in pursuance of law by petition to the court to decree the separation, fix the rights and responsibilities of the parties to the marriage, and provide for the support of Let the law make it as the off-pring. Let the law make it as off-nee for either man or woman to desert, and make the penalty a severe one, and it will bring our young married people to a sense of the responsibilities they assume when they enter matri

Commenting upon the above the Danville Register says :

There is sound sense in this suggest tion. While thoughtful men are seek ing to limit the evil of divorce, excepupon the gravest provocation, it might be well to consider some action to prewent desertion, which is the most fre quent cause of divorce. It would tend to deter men or women from bastilassuming the marriage relation, and weuld enforce regard for it when once assumed. Provision can be made fo separation by consent which would entail no such penalty as that provided in the contemplated statute. Let us have a more drastic law against desertion as a means of limiting this abuse,

FOUR grand-daughters of Charles Dickens have each been granted a persion of \$2 50 per week by the British government "in recognition of the literary eminence of their grandfather, and in consideration of their straitened circumstances." Dickens was doubtless one of the most untiring literary toilers that ever lived and he doubtless reaned s much profit from his pen as any other author. But, like the great majority of the class, his fate was not to accummulate, and in rearing a large family be spent his money as fast as he earned it. He failed to transmit his genius to any of his progeny, and his grandchildren are now, in a measure, public charges. While Dickens lived his reputation placed him in a position by which he could dictate terms to publishers, and his revenue was sufficient to meet all his needs as well as of those dependent upon him. It has not been so, however, with all who have wielded the quill. Homer is said to have eked out a precarious existence, while Johnson, Goldsmith and others often retired to garrets Campania and Sicily are practically de and crusts.

THE government has had coined a large number of new one-cent pieces. These coins are doubtless for use among the working men who voted the republican ticket last fall and who are now eurning pennies where they once earned nickles or dimes. How many of the wage-earners in the country stop to think that while the tariff fixers in Congress have been increasing taxes on the pleaof "protecting" the laboring man every addition to the tariff rates on food, clothing, utensils, medicines and other necessaries of living, by so much as such additions increase prices actually reduces the wage of the laboring man? Under the plea of helping workingmen, as well says the Philadelphia Record, the standpatters have conspired to plunder them. Should the tariff bill as it now stands amended by the Senate become a law this would be a desirer country to live in next year than this year. The trusts would be enriched, the people impover-

A DISPATCH from Lexington, Ky., veteran of the Crimean war, and who claimed to have taken part in the famous charge at Balaklava, died there on Tues-"Six bundred."

In an address at Paducab, Ky., yes-terdsy, Attorney General Wickersham advocated the passage of a law by Congress providing for nationally created corporations to carry on interstate com----

From Washington. (Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) Washington, July 8.

the outbreak of the Columbian revolutionists. In his di patch which is dated pefore and towards noon entered the city which they captured together with one of the gunbouts in the river. The reolutionary army is now in full posseson. Officials of the government have seen arrested and imprisoned and revolutionary officers have been installed in their places. Traffic on the Magdalena river has been suspended, Americans now at Brarranquilla are reported to be in no danger. No action has been taken as yet by the State Department in dispatching one of the American naval vessels now in Central American waters to the scene of the disturbances, but it is probable that this will be done to assure protection to American interests.

The Wright brothers are still at Fort Myer getting their seroplane in order, The next flight will probably take place Saturday-if the wind is favorable, if the engine behaves properly and if there is nothing else to prevent. The torn canvas of the plane has been repaired, and new skids are being attached today. Wilbur believes he has discovered the eason for the balkiness of the engine, whose sudden stoppage while in mid at caused the recent accident. The fault is with the magneto, he believes, and one resson for his trip to New York on Inceday was to interview the maker of his device. The maker told him that by increasing the insulation, further trouble would probably be avoided. This will be done before another flight

is attempted. Treasury officials are somewhat disturbed over information which has reached them from financial circles in New York that the question of the conatitutionality of the corporation tax wil be carried into the courts at an early day. U. S. Tressurer Trest was so advised on the recent trip to the Metropo lis. It is said that as soon as the go ernment attempts to enforce that provision of the law, some of the corporations will carry the case into the court by injunction proceedings.

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Secretary of the Navy Meyer returned to his desk at the Navy Department today after a short trip to New England. Mr. Meyer intends to remain in Washington until Congress adjourns, when helwill leave for a fishing expedition in Canada. Later he will witness the fall target practice of the Atlantic battleship fleet in Cape Cod Bay. Mr. Meyer denied he report that he had violated the law by following in the Dolphin the course of the Harvard-Yale boat race in New London, Conquist week. "The story is untrue," he said. "I was not on the course at any time during the race. The Dolphin's launch followed the course down the river but it was always outside of the course." An official denial of the report that Secretary Moyer had taken advantage of his position to break into the course at the Harvard-Yale boat race the other day was made this afternoon by acting secretary of ade this afternoon by acting secretary

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Andrew Y. Bradley, son of former Judge Andrew Bradley, of the District Supreme Court, has become a member of the chorus of a Washington theater.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS.

After a day's session important in esults, the Sanate adjourned a 7 o'clock yesterday, with a fair prospect of pass ing the tariff bill today and sending back to the House.

Offering his income tax smendment as a substitute for the corporation tax amendment of the bill, Mr Bailey demanded a yea and-nay vote. His substitute was rejected-28 to 47.

Mr. Aldrich was forced to strike out the provision exempting "holding companies" from the corporation tax, and now there is no form of corporation, baving a capital stock represented by shares, with the exception of fraternal eneficiary societies, domestic building and loan associations, operated on the mutual benefit plan, and religious, charitable, and educational concerns which are exempted from the 2 per

Next to the income tax, the discussion of the customs court was the big feature of the day's work. The debate over the court provision

resulted in the acceptance of the finance committee's provision. Senstor Daniel started a filibutter against the increased tax on tobacco which prevented the holding of a night

session Serious Conditions in Italy.

Rome, July, 8 .- An entire army corps, in small detachments, is scat tered throughout southern Italy, wain taining order among the thousands who have fled from their homes because of he prediction of seismological experts the severest earthquake Italy has ever experienced will occur today. Towns throughout Calabria. occor serted, their inhabitants camping in the fields patiently awaiting the expected destruction of their home

Meantime, hordes of outlaws bave taken possession of the deserted towns and villages, plundering the abandoned houses and wantonly destroying prop erty. Several clashes between outla bands and the troops have been reported.

Destructive War Wespon.

Berlin, July 8. - Germany has granted a patent on what will prove the most destructive wespon ever devised for modern warfare. The new implement is a bugh submarine magnet when barred and in working order, will draw a ship out of its course, or else literally suck the immense levisthans

under the water and destroy them. The inventors of this terrible war in strument declare that by their use all barbors will be practically impregnable, for no ship could enter if the magnet was working. They also declare it wil be useful in offensive operations at sea as they will draw the vessels of the enemy close enough to engage in close quarters.

Murderers Executed.

Indiana, Pa., July 8 - Resigned to their fate, after having spent the greater part of their last night on earth with Bruno Carbone walked calmly to the scaffold in the jail yard today, and paid the penalty for the murder of Robert Loser, an old soldier, whom they shot to death in a field on July 18, 1908. Two weeks ago the condemned men made a confession, in which they charged Frank Veitre, a brother of Joseph Veitre, with having planned; the crime and to have furnished them the weapons. Frank visited the iail several days later, was placed under arrest, and the confession is now on record in the prosecutor's office, awaiting grand jury sction, Rev. Father Ferri, Joseph Veltre and ways: Berjamin Simcox, 70 years old, a Bruno Carbone walked calmly to the veteran of the Crimean war, and who scaffold in the jail yard today, and paid day. There seems to be no end to that Two weeks ago the condemned men

Sixty-first Congress.

Washington, July 8.

BENATE. The State Department received a despatch today from Elliott A promise of a continuous session un-Northcott, Minister to Columbia, who is Northcott, Minister to Columbia, who is apparently at Barranquilla, the scene of given the Senate by Senator Aldrich tothe onthreak of the Columbian revoluhim that the role providing arbitra-July 5, he reports that the partisans of General Valencia began fighting the day was carried and the way was therefore ceared for an unlimited session of the Senate, to be terminated either by the passage of the bill or by a special vote to adjourn.

An amendment by Senator Davie providing that the corporation tax should be one-fourth per cent, on the gross receipts over \$20,000 of all corporations having over \$300,000 cap stock was taken up by the Senate when

it met today.

Mr. Bacon offered an amendment to levy a tax on corporations having gross receipts of over \$100,000.

On Mr. Aldrich's motion both th Bacon and Daniel amendments were laid on the table.

An amendment was offered by Mr. Gore providing that the revenue from benks might be set aside as a safety fund to make good the losses of deposi ors in wrecked banks. It was laid or the table.

Similar action was taken on an amend nent by Mr. Newlands, to apply the tax only to corporations, associations and insurance companies whose receipts were only \$250,000.

Senstor Aldrich then moved the adoption of the corporation tax section of the tariff bill. There were some votes n the negative but the vice-presiden declared the motion carried and no de mand was made for a roll call.

The amendment was agreed to in com mittee of the whole last Friday, on a vote of 60 to 11. The Senate then adopted section 7 o

the bill which provides that when any country grants a bounty or imposes an export duty on goods shipped to this country the amount of the bounty or export daty shall be added to the tariff rate when the importations reach this ountry.

Senator Bacon, in behalf of his col league Mr. Clay, who is absent, secured a vote upon an amendment preferred by he latter imposing special stamp taxe on all transactions in grain, cotton, stocks and bonds, etc. This was no done, however, until after there had been a sharp little passage between Mr. Bacon and Mr. Aldrich.

The amendment was laid on the table by a vote of 44 to 34.

The tobacco schedules were taken up. Sensior Martin entered a vigorous protest against the proposed increase of the tax on manufactured tobacco from 6 to 8 cents per pound and also the large increase on cigars. He complained that these amendments had been held back until so late in the consideration of the bill that no opportunity had been given to hear from the growers on the matter. He said that \$10,000,000 additional revenue would be raised by these taxes and he was confident that the growers o tobacco and the consumers would pay that amount and that the tobacco trust's profits would not saffer.

Sepator Simmons made argument against the proposed increase of the to bacco tax and read memorials from many boards of trade and letters from manufacturers in his state protesting against an increase.

Senator Bailey said the republicans occupied an old position compared with that of 1888. In the latter year they seriously raised the question of repealing all the tobacco taxes. Now they ask for an increase.

When the tariff bill was brought in Senator Aldrich said it would produce plenty of revenue. Then the corporation tax, which is expected to yield between \$24,000,000 and \$50,000,000 was added. That seemed to indicate a surplus of nearly \$50,000,000 and it of \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000 on the poor man's tobacco. The republican enators, Mr Beiley said, refused to raise \$9,000,000 on tea, which was not used by one man in ten but they now proposed to raise \$12,000,000 on what nine men out of ten used. A bardship, he said, would be worked by the increased tax on snuff. Perhaps but some of them did so and they were among the poorest of the poor. soon sniff snuff as to smoke cigarettes. Those who use souff were in the very humblest walks of life and it was hard to increase they pay, 33 per cent, when the republicans had refused to tax the ncomes of the rich. He predicted republican disaster as a result of this tariff bill.

Senator Daniel opposed the adoption of the tobacco tax amendment, and said it was aimed at the trusts, but the target at the muzzle that could not be

missed was the farmer. An argument in favor of the increased tax was made by Senator Beveridge, of is inundated.

Indians. An amendment by Mr. Daniel to re store the present tobacco tax was de feated-24 to 54.

The House will bereafter meet a noon daily. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the House today.

A tribute to the late Representativ Cushman, of Washington, was made by Chaplain Couden in his prayer opening the meeting of the House today. Repre sentative Humphrey, the dead congressman's life-long friend, informed the House of his death, paying a touching tribute to his memory. A resolution offered by him that the House adjourn out of respect to his memory was adopted Cushman's desk was draped in black and

covered with flowers. Representative Humphrey had auticipated accompanying Representative Cushman's body to Tacoma, but found it impossible to leave.

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Today's Telegraphic News

Killed by Burglar.

New York, July 8 -Straggling to save her son's life, Mrs. Sophie S aber, wife of George Staber, a wealthy im-porter, was shot to death by a burglir early today in her home, No. 455 east Eighteenth street, in thefashionable Flatbush section. The shot that killed his passed through the shirt of George Staber, and the burning powder signed his face.

Young Staber was awakened by the rattling rattling of a window, as the burglars climbed into the house. He started down the stairs, calling to them to leave and was ordered to stand, at the point of a revolver. Instead, he leaped for the burglar, and grappled with him.

The scuiffs awakened Mrs. Staber, who rushed down the stairs screaming: 'For God's sake, George, take care of yourself."

The burglar wrested himself free of the young man, and throwing his revolver over Staber's shoulder, fired point blank at the woman, as she reached the bottom of the stairs. He then turned

Young Staber, dazed, tried to follow, but was stopped by a fusiliade of shots from the man's companion, who stood at a window in the rear of the house.

As the burglar ran, he dropped his revolver, and the boy, securing it, emptied the five shots it contained after tho ficeleg man. One of them took effect, for the man's trail through the house was marked with blood. Staber died before a doctor could be summoned.

The police have arrested a man in Brooklyn, whom they are sare is the murderer of Mrs. Staber. At 10:30 a policeman found an Italian in an almost fainting condition at the corner of Church and Utics avenues. He had s bullet wound through his left arm and the loss of blood had so weakened the man that he could not talk enough to give his name. The man whom young Staber fired at is supposed to have been struck in the arm.

New York, July 8.—Two men are unde arrest. They are John Smith and Carl Greo. Smith is wounded in the arm and leg Both men, the police declare admit the were implicated in the burglary of the stal e, but neither of them will admit the ler home, but neither of them will admit the actual shooting. Smith declared he was acting as the "lookout," outside the house, at the time he was shot. What was Greo's concettien with the crime the police refuse to state, though declaring that both of the men have confessed. The police are seeking a third man belieued to have been implicated.

Flood in Missouri.

St. Joseph, Mo. July 8 -A list of dead, which at this time defies accurate estimation, railroads paralyzed, telegraph and telephone communication interrupted, combine to make the situstion confronting the rescuers in the flood swept district today one of the most serious in the history of the middle west. The number dead is variously estimated up to twenty. The fate of a number of persons carried away by the flood is not Five men were swept away with a railroad bridge near Chillicothe late yesterday. Motor boa's went in pursuit of wreckage to which the men were clinging. Darkness came before the boats had overtaken the wreck. Four men are missing at Pattonsburg. It is believed that they were drowned. Reports received this morning say the water in many places is still rising and the extent of the flood is increasing.

No word was received up to late this forenoon from Pattonsburg, but it is known that two relief trains dispatched yesterday to succor the people of the inudated town are hopelessly stalled in the

At dark last night much of the rescuwork was abandoned. The dangers of the flood were so great that rescures could do but little. Today parties have set out again hoping to rescue those who have taken refuge in trees or whose home are surrounded by water,

Six people who lived in the Grand was to be increased by an added tax river bottoms near Chillicothe, were people. Mr. Tucker attempted neither reported in danger. A rescue party in search of them but could not find them. It is presumed they are dead. A farmer living alone near Gallaties was reported in peril. Rescurres found his cabin in 15 feet of water. His fate is not known. Bosts were scarce and some of the rescue parties used improvised rafts. These were found to be very women would not get souff, be added frail and some of the rescures wer thrown into the floods or swept down the streams clinging to wreckage of their would assume that a woman would as craits. Hundreds of people are in peril,

At Pattonsburg the latest reports says a two foot rise in the Grand river flood has increased the peril of maroon ed people late last night a brief messe said little had been done for those wh were driven to roofs or held prisioner in the upper stories of their houses. Hun dreds of people there are in danger of drowning, and infants and women are suffering from exposure and want of food.

Bain fell during most of the night The situation at Trenton today is reported more serious than ever. latin is soffering and Gallatin Junction

Terrific Earthquake Shocks.

Paris. July 8 -Dispatches received in Paris indicate that a terrific earth quake occurred this morning throughout India and Asia. The first shock was felt at 3 o'clock this morning, at Rawal Pindi, the capital of Rawal Pindi district, and extended through the district and into the Chitral district. shock also was felt at Iskoard, the capital of Bultistan. It is known that many houses were thrown down by the shocks, but the loss of life is still unknown and details are lacking.

Reports from Asiastic Russia declare

that the seismograph at Tashkend recorded a severe earthquake, this morning, which seemed to Mindu-Kush, in central Asia.

Many houses were destroyed and damage done by the earthquake Kerki and Katti-Kurgan, in Turkeston and in Kokhan Asiastic Russis.

The seismograph at Hamburg, Ger many, shows that the shock was more violent than the Messina earthquake. Owing to the lack of news facilities, it is impossible to secure details.

Minister of Figance Assulted.

Parie, July 8.—Former Senator Charles Bos, editor of Hugo's papers, struck Minister of Finances Caillaux in the face and then slapped his cheeks on the floor of the senate, today. A due between the two men is imminent. The trouble arose over statements reflecting upon the former senator made by Cail at x in a speech before the senate.

Market.

Georgetown, D. C. July 8,-Wheat 150-160 for old; 100-120 for new.

The Colombia Revolution.

Faris, July 8 .- Declaring that it is daughter, refused today to become excited when he learned of the revolution in his country, and the proclamation of elevating Senor Gonzaliz Valencia to the presidency. General Reyes declared that he is not at all alarmed and that the revolution will not after his plan to spend three months in Europe. According to advices he says he charge, Reves says the trouble is confined to Barranquilia. "Colombia si-ways need an irou hand," said the gen-

"Sepor Valencia, who was proclaimed president renounced the vice presidency some years ago, and retired from politics. He is my friend, and not a revolutionist. I am sure that the revolutionists are simply conjuring with his name.

"I do not think that this trouble is connected with the treaty between Colombis, Pansma and the United States, and I mink the Colombia. Papama and the United Sistes, and I think the Colembis congress will ratify the treaty.

"My information is that the trouble is but the smouldering aches of the revolution I put out when I assumed the presidency and the government troops can take care of it."

Miss Gingles' Charges.

Chicago, July 8.—Assistant States Attorney Short today expected to place on the stand Dr. Wm. Krone, an experts, when the Gingles lace larceny esse was resumed in Judge Brensno's court.

The state wishes to introduce testimony through Dr. Krone, to support its contention that the whole horrible story old by Miss Gingles in which she charged Miss Agnes Berrette, Mrs. Cecilia Kenyon, and an unknown man, with terrible crimes is a flight of the girl's imagination.

Short says he expects to attack the girl's story on the ground that she is h monomanics on the subjects to which she has referred in her testimony and that she has framed her story after readof George ing "Erotic Classics," Reynolds, and some such medical books and "Psycopathic Sexualis," a collection of reports by European scientists.

Dr. Krone examined Miss Gingles a the time she was found bound and gagged in the Wellington Hotel and his reports to the states attorney expresse the opinion that the attacks to which she testified did not occur and that she herself was the primary agent in inflicting the wounds shown on her body

New Sculling Champion

Henley, Eng., July 8.—A. A. Stnart, of Kingston, Eng., this afternoon virtually we the right to the title of the world's smater the right to the title of the world's smallen sculling the diamond sculling race from R. Lucas of Germany, it the fast time of 8 minutes and 31 seconds. Starst was comparatively unknown as a scul-ler before he entered the race.

New York Stock Market.

New York, July 8 .- A downward mov New York, July 8.—A downward move-ment prevailed all through the list after the first few minutes, with the supply of stocks coming partly from realizing sales and the putting out of short lines by the professional element and out-ide of the exchange. There was little support from any quarter around recently prevailing prices, and a moderate pressure caused many lesses ranging around a point.

MR. TUCKER AT FAIRFAX. Lust night the court house of Fairfax

was filled with an audience of beautiful

women and sturdy men when Mr. Harry St. George Tucker met the people of th county and addressed them on the subect of his candidacy for gubernatorial honors. The scene and surroundings were worthy of the occasion, the brillian ights, the beautiful faces of the women and the paintings of Henry W. Thomas and other of Fairfax's talented sons looked down, in seeming approval of the speaker, as in plain, pointed and honest words he told his side of the story to the rical nor oratorical display-but it quiet (and sometimes quaint) manner h sid plain facts before his hearers, who requently interrupted him with applause. He stated he had invited Judge Man to meet him and discuss the issues of the campaign, but had never had the opportunity of meeting him except Boydton. He claimed that it was thus unavoidably left for him to present the judge's side of the case as well as his In forceful language he presented Indee Mann's claim that for 35 years he (Mann) had served the cause of prohibition and then pointed out the fac that for 15 years the judge had served the cause of corporations and that when t came to the point of serving the tem perance cause or the railroads by voting for or against a bill to tax each Pullman car selling liquor in the state \$400 a year that Judge Mann failed to vote, thus defeating the bill-which was los by a tie. He said his opponent said he (Tucker) was not a business man and therefore should not be elected. In reply he would simply say that he has en selected as the head of the James town Exposition to fill the place made vacant by the death of Virginia's houored son. Fitz Lee and that he had no in tention of trying to upset the plans of that distinguished and honored gentleman. But further that there was a board of managers to whom all details belonged and inside of four weeks after his selec tion he had to visit Europe to accure at tendance at the exposition, and when he returned his entire time was required in Washington to aid in securing the fed eral appropriation of \$1,000,000 and was only concluded less than

a month before the exposition opened, 'Under such conditions bow could I be expected to work after details? It was an impossibility." Mr. Tucker then went on to show that the Jamestown Exposition was the only one that owned its land and buildings and that all had been financial failures except one.) As to the value of the property owned by the exposition he said he could call to the stand Thomas Martin, John W. Daniel and Charles C. Carlin and prove by them that the property of the exposition was worth 800,000 or more than enough to pay all of its indebtedness. Of course Mr. Tucker alluded to Senator Martin's bill to buy the exposition grounds and buildlogs by the federal government. The syeech was one to attract and retain attention and make a deep impression on his hearers, among whom were: Judge J. M. Love, John S. Barbour, je., F. W. Richardson, ex-Senator R. S. Donohue and Col. Robt. E Lee, of Fairfax, and Mr. Robert S. Barrett, of and tonight at Herndon.

BREAD LAW DECLARED VOID. A few days ago a case was brought be simply a case of "when the cat's away fore the Police Court of this city by Mr. the mice will play," General Rafael Reyes, president of the Republic of Co-to test the validity of the present law relombis, who is staying here with his garding the sale of bread in the city of Alexandria. The law (code of 1874, page 83,) provides for the sale only of loaves weighing eight, four, two and one pounds. Justice Caton, who had reserved his decision, today rendered his opinion in the case. He holds the law to be obsolete and void. The following is the full text of his decision:

The bread law of the city of Alexanfrom General Holgum, whom he left in dria is embodied in sections 2 and 10 of chapter 16 of the Code of 1874. The first of these sections provides for the inspection of bakeries and the bread products thereof by the market master and for the seizure by him of all bread which shall not be made according to the regulations then in force.

Section 10 provides, "All bread, exposed or offered for sale, within the imits of the city of Alexandria, shall be in loaves of the weight of eight pounds four pounds, two pounds and one pound, Any person offering for sale any bread, short of the weight it purports to be, shall forfeit and pay five dollars for each offense." And in this asme section is set forth the method of procedure in cases arising under the or-

The case in question arose out of the seizure by the market master of cartain loaves of bread exposed and offered for sale in this city by Henry Schlichting on the 28th day of June, 1909. These various loaves were of different weights, being seven-eights of a pound, half a pound, quarter of a pound, and one and one halt pounds, and were in some instances labeled, showing the weight of bread in the loaf, and some were with-out labeis. The exact weight and the label attached to each loaf is set forth in an itemized statement. The evidence was to the effect that all of these losves were of the weight they purported to be and there was no dispute as to the facts

in any phrase of the case. It is contended by the city that this act on the part of Henry Schlichting was in violation of the bread law of the city, and that he thereby rendered himself liable to the fine prescribed And on the part of the defendant it is argued that the acts of the said Schlichting were not in violation of the ordinance; and secondly, that it in vialation of the ordinance the same is vold on the ground that it is so unreasonable exercise of the police power. To ascertain whether the acts in question constitute a violation of the ordinance it is necessary to find the meaning thereof. And it sppears the there can be but one construction of this law. It expressly provides that all bread, without qualification, exposed or offered for sale shall be in oaves of certain weights. The second clause providing a pecalty must be read in ornection with and not independently of the first; so that the phrase "purports to be," must be held to refer to the weights named in the first section, that is, eight, four, two and one pound. The object of the law was evidently to protect the buyer from fraud and to sesure him that bread purchased would be found to comply with these regulations as to weight. If it should be construed to mean that a oaf of the weight prescribed could be baked and then cut in any manner this object would be defeated, for any weight lost could be twice or thrice cut and the buyer would be ignorant of the weight of any part thereof unless he took the pains to weigh or have it weighed. Furthermore, the merchant who had thus cut and sold a part of a one pound losf could not be considered exposing or offering for sale a loaf and would be violating the regulations set out in the first clause of section 10. For a part cannot under any circumstances be considered a whole. And the provision prescribing onfiscation by the market master of all bread made other than according to the

of irregular or fractional loaves. Hence, under this law it seems ceroaves of eight, four, two and one pound, and that such loaves in their entirety only can be exposed or offered for sale, and that if this ordinance is valid there

regulations in force prevents the baxing

has been in this case an infraction This and similar laws are passed uuder what is known as the police power vested in the state and which the state of Virginia has delegated to this city, in ection 14 of the city charter. This section grants to the city the power 'to make all laws which the City Council shall deem expedient or necessary for the preservation of the health of the inbabitants and for the regulation of the morals and police of the city." a general granting of power and ordinances passed thereunder must be rea sonable to be valid. The ordinance in question was passed at least thirty-five years ago and has not been amended since though trade conditions and cus tom demands have shown marked changes. Its purpose was to protect against fraud on the part of the seller and perhaps it served that purpose a generation or so ago. Loaves of the weights prescribed were such as were in emands of the trade upon the bakers is different today from what it was thirtyfive years ago. At that time fancy biscuits and individual oaves such as are in common use in botels were unknown, but at present the sale of these fancy breads constitutes a large part of the trade. The consumer drove the crowd back, and as soon as asks for bread of different weights than those prescribed in this ordinance, and 'A pistol there,' and seemed to faint it is an unreasonable law that prohibits After we had brought her to her senses the bakers from supplying this demand, she told us a man of maximum stature Their business is a perfectly legal one had stood near the president with a reand the city is not empowered to des- volver under his coat and that in fright troy any part of their trade. This law she had pretended to faint in order to was passed for an age that is now distant, and to hold it good at this day would work an unreasonable hardship not only upon the baker but upon the consumer, for it is not a reasonable law that makes it impossible for a consumer to buy half a pound, quarter of a pound, or any other weight of bread. able regulations for the sale of bread are proper under the charter provisions,

G. Grosvenor Dawe, managing director of the Southern Commercial Congress, predicted the commercial and ndustrial leadership of the South in an Alexandria, Mr. Tucker is to speak address before the Southern Commerical this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Vienna Secretaries' Association at Atlats, Ga.

but to provide that only four specifi

sizes of loaves can be made, bought o

sold, does not in any way appear reason

able or necessary' for the protection of

believe this ordinance obsolete and void,

the community. For these reasons

and so hold,



CONGRESSMAN CARLIN

The Culpeper Exponent on the 25th ultimo printed an industrial edition which was read with much interest, The edition was profusely illustrated. It contained the following concerning Hou. C. C. Carlin, the able representa tive in Congress from this district

It is indefatigable energy, sound com

mon sense, untiring progressiveness and loyalty to his friends that have made the Hon. Charles C. Carlin, congressman from this district, what he is today. Mr. Carlin, who is still a young man has a personality and individuality all his own. As a representative of his state he has shown his fitness for the place, and that he is in every way qualified to fill the high office in which the people have placed him, there can be no doubt, for there are but few men in the Old Dominion who are held in greater respect than be. Congressman Carlin is a native of Alexandria. he was born April 8, 1866, and here be still makes his home. He began his career as a poor boy, but he is the same today as he was when there was not a penny to his credit in the bank and he could not rub two coins together in his pocket. Fortune has smiled upon him, but it has not spoiled the man, and his career should be an incentive to every youth just entering life, and illustrates better than any other example what a man, honest, square and true, imbued with the determination to succeed and who knows no such word as fail, can accomplish in a country like ours. But the least of it is his own success. There is not a selfish bone in the body of "Charlie" Carlin, as many of his constituents delight to call him, and he always likes to hear the phra e, for it proves to him, and to others, that he is very near to the hearts of his He has always taken a deep interest in politics, as every good American citizen should, but for many years he was content to light in the ranks, and it was only upon the most earnest solicitation of his friends that he allowed himself to be nominated for Congress. That he makes an ideal representative no one acquainted with him will deny, irrespective of political affilia-There is no one in the state who is better acquainted with the people's needs, which have been to him a life long study, and no one is better equipped to see that they are attended to at Washington, where his career is being watched with interest, Mr. Carlin is a many-sided man: he is possessed of great magnetism and one who instinctively inspires confidence. There is no suggestion of hy-poerisy or double dealing about this good, honest, free-spoken American. Prior to taking up the law in 1885 Mr. Carlin was engaged in the telephone business in this state and Georgia. While studying law be acted as deputy treasurer of Alexandria, and latter Judge Stusrt appointed him comelected a member of the Board of Alderman and while serving in that capactain that bread can only be baked in ity was appointed postmester of the city. stood him!well in hand in the House of Representatives. He is regarded as one of ablest lawers in Congress and is frequently consulted by the leaders of both parties when legal problems are to be solved, He is an elequent speaker and an able and convincing debater. He has taken a high stand in the Congress of the United States and enjoys the confidence and respect of all his associates. He served the unfinished term of Mr Rixey and is now serving his own first term, which will expire on the fourth of March 1911. He will be renominated next summer. Although there are some who would like to annoy him with opposition, there is no one in the district who can defeat him, and we do not believe that any same man will attempt it.

TAFT IN DANGER?

That an attempt on the life of President Taft was planned at the Norwich. Conn., celebration and that everything was not so quiet as had been reported is the statement of Detective James Ward, New Haven's police representative. demand, but the baking of bread bas said, in describing the locident, which progressed with everything else and the occurred Monday at the time of the big

"I was standing in the crowd near the president, and with me was Detective Wheeler, of the Secret Service, when a woman in the crowd shrieked We thought it was for lack of air, although it was not a warm day. we were near her we heard her gasp, attract the attention of some officer of the law."

After this, the detectives looked through the crowd, but failed to find the person described or sny information regarding him, except that he had been seen burrying away. President Tatt

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Burl ngton, Vt., July 8.—The scenes in the tercentennial of the discovery of Lake Champiain shifted today into this town in Vermont. President Test left Hotel 'hampiain, Clifton on my N. Y., by bont for Burlington at 9.35 o'close this morning. Arriving here the Tast party and foreign guests were met by an escort of United States troops and Vermont national guardamen. The presidential perty will be scorted to the ampithestre where there will be addresses. A poem will be read by Bliss Carmen. Later a banquet will be served in the g. mains of the University of Vermont. The president leaves for Washington at the conclusion of tonight's banquet.

A new line of B-it Pins just received at H. W. Wildt & Son's, 106 north Royal street,